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06/04/2013 Minutes

Vision 2020 Spy Pond Committee
Minutes for Meeting of June 4, 2013
Approved 9/3/2013

This meeting was a social event, as well as a formal meeting of the committee; present at the meeting were host Brad Barber, Harriet and Bob Noyes, Mary Morris, Irene McKinnon, Alan and Luanna Preston, Agnes O'Donnell, Jane and Pete Howard, Shayna and Herb Loeffler, and Joey Glushko. The location was the home of Brad Barber, at 74 Spy Pond Pkwy – where a social cookout preceded a formal meeting which began at 9 PM.

Minutes of the last meeting (April 30) were **not** reviewed.

Brad Barber, with supportive comments from Jane Howard, presented a brief history of the Spy Pond Committee and the actions it has advocated and taken in support of Spy Pond water quality and the use of the pond as a recreational resource.

Brad reported on the May meeting and discussions with Wayland and their support of their Dudley Pond; Brad attended with Steve Ricci and Jacob Friis, and Bill Eykamp. Their pond is similar in size to our Spy Pond – their spending is about twice as much. Their activities include spot chemical treatment for water milfoil, followed by hand pulling of debris by divers.

Spy Pond Trails Day was on May 11; there was a lot of pulling of bittersweet and poison ivy, and pickup of a large amount of trash along the Rte 2 access road outside of the fence.

A discussion of use/placement and handling of the trash barrels was explained to those present.

Sonar chemical treatment of the Pond was accomplished in late May. There was discussion of the 2012 summer presence of algae in the pond and how it might be avoided/treated and how the Town and Board of Health deal with this type of occurrence.

A report on the “egg-addling” program: No goslings this year.

Brad reported that in the Kelwyn Manor marsh area the planted wetland plants are coming up. However, still seen are invasive glossy buckthorn, multiflora rose and yellow irises.

No new business items were raised.

The meeting adjourned at 945 PM.

Minutes submitted by Joey Glushko